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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR CAMBODIAN NOMINEES FOR ILEA "ADVANCED MANAGEMENT" COURSE IN ROSWELL, NM; REQUEST RESPONSE BY DECEMBER 12, 2008

REF: STATE 112665

[¶1.](#) This is an action cable. See Paragraph Six.

[¶2.](#) Reftel is guidance for screening nominees for U.S.-sponsored training programs.

[¶3.](#) Post requests a Leahy vetting response from the Department by December 12, 2008. The individuals listed below will attend ILEA Advanced Management Course scheduled for January 12 - February 6, 2009 with report date of January 11, 2009 in Roswell, New Mexico. To comply with the Leahy amendment relative to U.S.-sponsored security assistance training, the U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh conducted local human rights vetting for the following individuals selected for ILEA-funded training:

NOMINEES:

NAME: IN, Bora (Male)
DPOB: Feb. 27, 1959; Kandal
POSITION: Deputy Director
RANK: Brig. Gen.
DEPT/UNIT: Ministry of Interior (MOI), Criminal Dept.

NAME: MAO, Dara (Male)
DPOB: Jan. 15, 1960; Phnom Penh
POSITION: Deputy Director
RANK: Col.
DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Criminal Dept.

NAME: Y, Sok Khy (Male)
DPOB: Dec. 15, 1965; Kampong Thom
POSITION: Deputy Director
RANK: Col.
DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Anti-Terrorism Dept.

NAME: CHETH, Vanny (Male)
DPOB: Jan. 13, 1956; Kampong Chhnang
POSITION: Office Chief
RANK: Lt. Col.
DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Criminal Dept.

NAME: YEM, Virak (Male)
DPOB: Aug. 5, 1965; Phnom Penh
POSITION: Office Chief
RANK: Lt. Col.
DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Criminal Dept.

NAME: THOU, Saroeurn (Male)
DPOB: May 24, 1969; Takeo
POSITION: Office Chief
RANK: Lt. Col.
DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Anti-Terrorism Dept.

NAME: MEN, Sam An (Male)
DPOB: Feb. 14, 1967; Phnom Penh
POSITION: Office Chief
RANK: Lt. Col.

DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Anti-Terrorism Dept.

NAME: CHAO, Sovong (Male)
DPOB: Jan. 1, 1955; Siem Reap
POSITION: Office Chief
RANK: Maj. DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Battambang Provincial Police

NAME: THIN, Sindeth (Male)
DPOB: Aug. 1, 1970; Battambang
POSITION: Unit Chief
RANK: 2ND Lt.
DEPT/UNIT: Banteay Meanchey Provincial Police

Alternate:

NAME: KENG, Sokun (Male)
DPOB: Jul. 1, 1959; Kandal
POSITION: Deputy Directory
RANK: Col.
DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Criminal Dept.

¶4. U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has reviewed its files and finds that, as of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above-mentioned individuals.

¶5. The individuals listed above will attend ILEA Advanced Management Course scheduled for January 12 - February 6, 2009 with report date of January 11, 2009 in Roswell, New Mexico. These courses will provide the participants with an understanding on current approaches to dealing with precursor chemicals and clandestine laboratories. The Advanced Management Course is a law enforcement training program for middle management law enforcement and other criminal justice professionals at the level of superintendent and above (or comparable stature within participating

criminal justice organizations), designated by their government as having responsibility for vital areas of national enforcement. The ideal candidates are those with substantial experience in the areas of terrorism, drug control, financial crime investigation and related issues.

¶6. Please verify whether the Department possesses any credible information that the individuals named above have been implicated in gross violations of human rights. Post requests a Leahy vetting response from the Department by December 12, 2008.

¶7. Point of contact for Amembassy Phnom Penh is Janet Deutsch at deutschje@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-118, or Alicia Gale at galean@state.gov or tel: 855-023-728-110.

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